Date:

April 26, 1997

Subject:

Johns Manville Manufacturing Plant

Nashua, New Hampshire

From:

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NPL Status: State Notification:

New Hampshire Department of

Environmental Services Waste Management

Division (R. Reed)

Action Memorandum:

Phase I:

June 16, 1995

Phase II:

July 29, 1996

I. SITE INFORMATION

See the previous POLREPs or Action Memorandum and Addendums.

II. RESPONSE ACTIVITIES (April 12 through April 26, 1997)

Air Sampling

During this period, personnel collected 122 samples from perimeter and area air monitoring stations during pre-demolition, demolition, and excavation activities of Building 40. Concentrations detected at all sample stations were below established action levels.

Soil_Sampling

During this period, personnel collected six routine soil samples as part of the site monitoring program. All were random soil/dust samples collected from Building 40.

Task Force Meetings

The Weekly Task Force meetings were held on Thursday, April 17, 1997, and Thursday April 24, 1997. Delegates at the meetings included the EPA On-Scene Coordinator (OSC), and representatives of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NHDHHS), the Nashua Board of Health (NBOH), the Nashua Mayor's Office represented by Nashua Fire Rescue (NFR), the Hudson Board of



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Health (HBOH), OHM Remediation Services Corporation (OHM) Emergency Response Cleanup Services (ERCS), and the Roy F. Weston, Inc., (WESTON) Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START).

The topics covered at the April 17 meeting included the demolition of Building 40 Sections C2, D1, E, and F3, the plan for the closure of Bridge Street on April 26 and 27, the removal of chain-link fencing from the perimeter of the site, the discovery and cleanup of a sump located below the small hydraulic press in Building 40, the increase in air monitoring during the final demolition sequence, the upcoming soil excavation, and the distribution of the Johns Manville Demolition Bulletin.

The focus of the April 24 meeting included the future excavation of the Building 10 sub-grade, the completion of the Building 40 demolition scheduled for April 26 & 27, the removal and dismantling of the four underground storage tanks located in Building 40 Section D2, the removal of oil from beneath the small hydraulic press unit in Building 40 Section E, the removal of chain-link fencing prior to the final demolition, and an overview of the final completion plans for the site.

Underground Sump Beneath the Small Hydraulic Press

On April 16, 1997, an underground sump containing an oil and water mixture was discovered beneath the small hydraulic press unit located in Section E. The NHDES alerted their oil cleanup contractor who mobilized to site to pump the mixture out of the sump. Approximately 11,500 gallons of oil and water mixture were removed from the sump and transported off site for proper disposal by the NHDES cleanup contractor.

Building 40 Activities

Prior to the completion of demolition activities, pre-demolition dismantling of steel from sections C2 and D2 of Building 40 was performed.

Following the completion of the pre-demolition operation, demolition activities continued as the final 51,475 square feet of Building 40 was demolished. During the final demolition of the front section of Building 40 Bridge Street was closed to vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The street was roped off to maintain a safe corridor for workers and pedestrians. Assistance with traffic control was provided by the City of Nashua. asbestos-containing material (ACM) debris generated by the controlled demolition was transported to the landfill in 30-cubic yard rolloffs. Salvageable steel removed during pre-demolition and demolition exercises was transported to the landfill for recycling.

An excavator equipped with a hoe-ram was mobilized to the site. The hoe ram was used to break up cement footers, reinforced concrete, and foundations of Building 40 into pieces which can be loaded and transported off site for disposal.

Engineering controls continued to be employed to suppress dust generated during excavation, controlled demolition, and dismantling activities.

Agency for Toxic Substances Disease Registry Conference

A paper was presented by representatives of the U.S. EPA, ATSDR, and New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, at the ATSDR conference held in Atlanta, Georgia. The paper was presented at a seminar outlining the dangers asbestos poses to the public health. Johns Manville was chosen to demonstrate how personnel from various health agencies can work as a team to find solutions to difficulties regarding threats to the public health.

<u>Visitors</u> to the Site

The following personnel were on site for meetings or to review the status of site activities during the past two weeks: Susanne Simon of ATSDR; Richard Reed, Jack Chwasciak, Colleen Cook, Steve Cullinane, Jake Parent, and Dan Spear of NHDES; Dennis Pinski of NHDHHS; Mike Buxton of NFR; Mike Tremblay of the NBOH; and, Bill Oleksak of HBOH.

DAILY SUMMARY OF REMOVAL ACTIVITIES

DATE	WEATHER	TEMP	AIR SAMPLES	SOIL SAMPLES	T&D* LOADS	WEIGHT (TONS)
04/12/97	Clear	41-52	0	0	0	0
04/14/97	Partly Cloudy	39-50	10	0	6 ACM 1 STEEL	44.0 8.0
04/15/97	Clear	35-50	9	0	6 ACM 1 STEEL	39.5 7.2
04/16/97	Clear	45-65	10	0	0	0
04/17/97	Rain	45-51	0	. 0	8 ACM 1 STEEL	67.8 7.5
04/18/97	Rain	40-47	0	0	6 ACM	49.7
04/21/97	Clear	41-53	18	0	7 ACM 2 STEEL	66.0 14.5
04/22/97	Cloudy	41-60	22	0	6 ACM	49.8
04/23/97	Clear	41-64	20	0	8 ACM	55.2
04/24/97	Cloudy	36-46	8	0	7 ACM 1 STEEL	51.1 10.9
04/25/97	Cloudy	41-54	6	6	6 ACM 2 STEEL	37.2 22.0
04/26/97	Clear	39-47	21	0	0	0_

* - Transportation and Disposal

PROJECT SUMMARY OF REMOVAL ACTIVITIES

&& WEIGHT T&D LOADS **ACTIVITIES** SOIL AIR (TONS) SAMPLES TO DATE SAMPLES 3884.6 255 ROLLOFFS ACM 298 1177 TOTALS 727 TRUCKS ACM 13055.8 77 ROLLOFFS STEEL 590.3 33.8 5 FLATBEDS STEEL 7 ROLLOFFS CEMENT 115.9

Financial III.

Representative: Task	Ceiling	Obligated	Balance	
ERCS Contractor: Drum Removal (1995)	\$ 500,000	\$ 464,446		
Demolition/Restoration	\$3,200,000	\$1,214,550	\$2,021,003	
START Contractor	\$ 400,000	\$ 289,695	\$ 110,305	
U. S. EPA: Environmental Response Team	\$ 90,000	\$ 28,327	\$ 61,673	
Direct Cost	\$ 350,000	\$ 98,269	\$ 251,731	
Indirect Cost	\$ 350,000	\$ 284,891	\$ 65,109	
City of Nashua In-Kind . Services	NA	\$3,295,960	NA	
State of New Hampshire In-Kind Services	NA	\$ 188,000	NA	

IV. Future Plans

OHM will continue to conduct demolition activities in accordance with the U.S. EPA Master Work Plan revised on January 30 with a completion date of June 28, 1997.

Tentative Schedule:
7 - Final demolition of Building #40 to resume.

May 17/18 - Bridge Street closing

CASE PENDS

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